GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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ARTILLERY GUN
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the ordnance factories are building a new 155-MM artillery guns based on the Bofors design of the 1980s;

(b) if so, the details and present status thereof along with the estimated cost of developing these guns;

(c) whether the said gun has been approved for induction into the army; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI MANOHAR PARRIKAR)

(a) to (d): In March, 2013 the Government has placed an Indent with an indicative cost of Rs.1261.44 crore on Ordnance Factory Board (OFB) for procurement of 155-MM artillery guns. The guns are at trials stage. Induction into the Army is based on successful trials.